UNITED STATED DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE EVERGREEN ULTRA SHORT) No. 1:08-CV	'-11064-NMG
OPPORTUNITIES FUND SECURITIES)	
LITIGATION) <u>CLASS ACT</u>	<u> ION</u>
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DEFENDANTS' CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 16.1(d)(3)

Defendants in the above-captioned action, along with their counsel, hereby certify that they have conferred: (a) with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course – and various alternative courses – of the litigation; and (b) to consider a resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs such as those outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

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